

THE HIGHEST RUSSIANION.

Czar's Message Unyielding on Indemnity and Saghalien—Baron Kaneko Once
More Sees President.

“BAH, TRUST,” SAYS PAYTON

HIS PLAYHOUSE CLOSED

*Opens Again for Evening Show—
Health Board's Act.*

While a crowd of over a thousand women and children were waiting for the opening of the doors for the first performance of the season at Payton's Lee-ave. Theatre, Williamsburg, yes

Yesterday afternoon, they were driven away by the reserves of the Clymer-st. station. Acting under instructions of Health Commissioner Danington, Captain Holman, with the reserves

ington, Captain Hoffman, with the reserves swept down on the crowd and, scattering them right and left, refused to allow them to go into the theatre after they had paid for admission.

The crowd, not knowing the nature of the trouble, were on the verge of creating a small riot, when the manager of the theatre came to the front door and told the people to disperse.

as there would be no performance. He said the management had incurred the displeasure of the "officials in Manhattan." They were not to be deterred by this, however, and demanded their money.

money. They were told that if they applied to the box office all money would be refunded. There was a rush for the office. Many women

The crowd was so disorderly that Captain Holahan was compelled to send for more policemen. The evening performance was allowed to take

place. The carpenters worked like beavers until the hour set for the night performance, and the inspector of the Health Department informed Captain Hollman that the theatre was safe. The

house was crowded, although many who came were doubtful until they got their tickets whether or not they would be permitted to enter. Dinner in the afternoon was bitter in

Mr. Payton in the afternoon was bitter in his attack on the Health Department and the officials who were connected with the closing of the theatre. He said it was closed because

was to allow Mr. Belasco the use of it for fifteen weeks in the coming season. He said that certain members of the theatre trust who are very friendly with the city administration

caused his house to be closed. When the theater closed for the summer several violations of the law were found in it, he said, but that at a cost of \$5,000 they had been remedied.

Mr. Payton's counsel was present, and said that every violation found by both the Fire Department and Health Department had been corrected.

Soon after the crowd was turned away by Rainey, Commissioner Darlington's representative, appeared, and after looking the theat-

over told the management that he saw no reason why the place could not be opened, and told the police to allow it to open. When Dr. Rain was asked why the place was closed he simply

"Has the letting of the theatre to Mr. Belas anything to do with this trouble?" Dr. Rain

"Go to New-York and ask them," he said.
The Unique Theatre, in Grand-st., William

burg, where burlesque shows are given, was unable to open. So large a crowd gathered about the doors in the afternoon that six policemen from the Bedford ave. station were called

Japan, on the other hand, having destroyed Russia's navy, forced her back hundreds of miles, winners.

The Pennsylvania Railroad offers a splendid train service and sells excursion tickets available for the occasion.—Adv.